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Assistant Commissioner for Patents U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

Sir:

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants respectfully request that the references relating to the above-mentioned application listed herein be made of record in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

- U.S Patent No. 4,746,565; 1.
- **Q**2. GB 2 167 060;
- WO 01/63986; **53**.
- **≫** 4. GB 926,749;
- WO 99/00338;
 - U.S. Patent No. 5,091,243.

Each of the above-identified documents was identified in the International Search Report for International Application No. PCT/US02/25857, which is the PCT counterpart of the above-captioned U.S. patent application. The subject International Search Report was mailed on November 25, 2002. A copy of each of the above-listed documents and the subject International Search Report are enclosed. A PTO-1449 listing these documents is also enclosed.

Each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in the subject International Search Report not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement. In addition, insofar as Applicants and their attorneys are aware, there has been no first Office Action on the merits with respect to the above-captioned patent application as of the date of mailing of this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement.

Identification of the above-listed references is not to be construed as an admission of the Applicants or the attorneys of the Applicants that such references are available as "prior art" against the subject application. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner review the foregoing references and that the references be made of record in the file history of the above-mentioned application.

Applicants believe no fee is due with this communication. However, if any fees are required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the payment of any such fees to Deposit Account No. 02-4377. A duplicate sheet of this communication is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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